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Woman's College To Have Victory Club

By S. M. "HAPPY" WHITE
Director of Public Relations

Mississippi Woman's College is buzzing with activities. We have just finished enrolling the second semester more students than we have since reopening, and still they come. Prospects for the fall opening are as bright as the dew-drops on a sunny morning. The problem in the past has been students but not anymore. The thing we need most is a place to house the boys who want to come to our school, and we believe that you are interested enough to see that this provision will be made.

Now you can render a great service by joining our Victory Club; thereby helping to meet this very acute need. We are already having application after application for the fall term, and we sincerely believe that every available place will be taken long before registration day this fall. You can render a great service by joining our Victory Club and truly march on with us to complete victory.

Read the ad explaining the Victory Club, it appears on Page 8.

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RANKIN MEMORIAL

Three thousand dollars which has come to the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board and to the family of the late Dr. M. Theron Rankin as a memorial to him is being sent, at the suggestion of Mrs. Rankin to the Baptist Seminary at Hong Kong for the establishment of a loan fund for min-

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Bible School Meet Set For Newton



SIBLEY C. BURNETT

Sibley C. Burnett, of Nashville, of the Vacation Bible School Department of the Sunday School Board, will be the principal visiting leader when the annual State Vacation Bible School Clinic gets underway at the Newton Baptist Church Monday, Feb. 8.

The clinic, to run through Wednesday, Feb. 10, is designed primarily for Associational Bible School Leaders and Associational Missionaries but local church leaders will be welcome.

Every phase of Vacation Bible School work will be discussed during the clinic.

Others to appear on program will include Dr. E. C. Williams, Rev. Paul Boothe, Miss Carolyn Madison and Miss Jacqueline Hewitt of the State Sunday School Department and Mrs. A. L. McGaugh of Newton and Mrs. E. S. Cole of Philadelphia.

THE GOSPEL IS REAL

BY DR. E. N. PATTERSON

Someone raised the question sometime ago why all of the night clubs and places of sin were always filled with people and many times the churches were empty. The question was answered something like this. The night clubs take things that are very unreal and superficial and present them as though they were real, and many times the churches will take the most dynamic things in the world and present them in such a way to show that they are not real.

According to the work of the faculty and students of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, this Gospel that we preach is real. We have just received a report of the results of the missionary work of this great school for the first quarter in 1953. Through the Practical Activities Department, that is the Missionary Department of the school, the student body dealt with nearly 8,000

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What Baptists Believe About The Tithe

BY REV. JOE W. HUDSON



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Baptists are a people of the Book. What the Bible teaches, we believe, and seek to practice and promote in our local churches. Tithing, like every other Bible Doctrine, originated in the mind of God; and is a plan for the promotion of his program of worldwide redemption. The Tithe, throughout the Bible, was accepted by faithful men of God; Abraham and Jacob being good examples. It was later incorporated into the Law given to God's nation. Tithing was affirmed and accented by Jesus, "this ought ye to have done." As Baptists we seek to practice everything that the Master approved and taught. Christ recognized the Tithe as a starting point in our stewardship, which is to be carried to its highest expression in our life and service. The Tithe was, and is, practiced and promoted by New Testament churches, as the minimum for all giving. Every Bible-believer should be a Bible-giver; and to be such one must start with the Tithe.

The word means "the tenth", and has reference to the giving of one-tenth of our increase to God. (Deut. 14:22-28.) The Tithe is holy unto the Lord, it belongs entirely to Him, and is to be used for no other cause.

His church is the depository for God's Tithe. The Jews brought their tithes and offerings to the Temple; New Testament Christians brought them to the Church. The "storehouse" is the place where God's people assembled to worship Him; for the Jews it was the Temple, for us it is the church. The Tithe is therefore to be brought, every penny of it, into God's storehouse, to be administered by his church in carrying out her God-given commission. As Christians we must remain conscious that the Tithe is God's money, and we are not obedient until we have used it in the manner that He directs. All objections are overruled upon the grounds of God's command. Your church may not be the things you would like done; this being true you might move your membership, but you cannot change the plan and command of God. The Tithe is to be used to honor God, and the only way to honor Him is through obedience to His command "bring ye all the tithe into the storehouse."

We believe that God has a definite purpose behind this command concerning the Tithe, "that there may be meat in mine house" It is His provision for carrying out His commission of world evangelism. To withhold God's Tithe is to be guilty of robbing Him;

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Youth Week To Feature College Night

BY FREEMAN H. BEETS

Assistant to the Executive Secretary, Education Commission

Dr. J. E. Lambdin, who wrote the first tract on Youth Week and who helped launch Youth Week in Southern Baptist churches, was one of the first denominational leaders to see what this organized young people's program could mean for their churches and in the life of the denomination.

First observed in 1936 in the Third Baptist Church of St. Louis, Missouri, Youth Week has been promoted since 1937 by the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board as an annual event in the churches.

To be featured for the first time during the 1954 Youth Week activities will be College Night in the Training Union with special Christian Education programs in the Intermediate, Young People's and Adult's Unions on April 4 and the College Orientation Workshop.

These are being planned to help Baptist young people select their colleges carefully and intelligently, and to study their college needs and opportunities. The events are to become regular parts of the annual Youth Week program.

The Education Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention is co-sponsoring the College Orientation Workshop and is preparing tracts, self-study inventories, campus directories, and other materials for use during the Workshop. Dr. R. Orin Ornett is executive secretary of the Commission.

Dr. Lambdin, secretary and editor-in-chief of the Training Union Department, explained that Youth Week is a plan for a church to use its young people in all official positions of church life for one full week, with the Training Union plan-

ning and carrying out the project. "From its beginning in 1937, the movement has continued to grow and each year additional thousands of Baptist young people are participating in Youth Week and are becoming better acquainted with the various activities of their churches," he added.

Most churches have the event during April and the 1954 dates



DR. JERRY LAMBDIN

have been set for April 4 to 11.

Stressing the importance of Youth Week, Dr. Cornett said, "With Sunday, April 4 being designated College Night in the Training Union, and with the College Orientation Workshop, Youth Week activities this year will provide excellent opportunities for Baptist young people to learn about colleges in general and about our Southern Baptist colleges, universities, seminaries, and other educational institutions in particular. And with convention-wide periodicals carry-

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Bootlegging Reaches Record Highs; White House Appears Not Dry

While bootlegging is increasing at record rates, according to the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division, Internal Revenue Service, temperance forces here have been shocked by a related news item that seems to negate some of the reports about how dry the White House has become since President Dwight D. Eisenhower and his entourage moved in.

Merriman Smith, White House correspondent for the United Press one of 72 guests who attended the first formal White House dinner of the current social season, reported to the nation's newspapers that four wines were served at the dinner given by President and Mrs. Eisenhower. The wines were sherry, sauterne, red burgundy and champagne. After the dinner, the men retired to the Green Room for brandy and liquors. In less pretentious surroundings, the occasion would have been termed "convivial" by any standards.

The latest report of the Alcohol and Tobacco Tax Division, IRS, indicates that still and mash seizures in July, latest month for which figures are available, were much larger in number than for any corresponding period in the past years. Federal agents seized 853 stills, four per cent more than in the previous July, and took some 505,000 gallons of mash, an increase of 24 per cent over the same month last year.

The unit's agents report that bootlegging in the South is still on a small scale, with small outfits being seized here and there as usual. However, bootlegging in big city areas has grown to a mass-production scale, with hoodlum mobs running stills with a daily capacity of thousands of gallons of raw alcohol, which later is "cut" and made into bourbon and scotch-type whiskies, or gin, and is sold in bottles which once held

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What Baptists Believe

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also of hindering the growth and advance of His Kingdom. The work of His Churches, at home and abroad, are to be supported by God's money. Baptist churches, who thus honor the Lord, prosper. We do not have to sell anything, put on entertainments, or resort to gambling devices to finance the work of our churches; and there will always be "meat in mine house" as our people bring the Tithes and Offerings. When every Baptist Church in Mississippi is willing to follow God's plan, His blessings will be poured out upon our work in such measure that unbelievable goals will become ordinary accomplishments.

Baptists believe that Tithing is the least that any person can be satisfied with doing, who says with Paul, "for the love of Christ constrains me." "Every Baptist A Tither" is truly a Bible slogan; let us accept the challenge and make it 100 per cent among our churches and people. The Bible surely teaches Tithing; as those who believe the Bible, let us obey.

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The Gospel Is Real

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Individuals personally during this two months period. They also gave out 18,587 gospels and tracts and peices of Christian literature. During this same period of time this group visited more than 7,000 of the homes in and around the city of New Orleans. In connection with the churches where the faculty and student body worked there were 268 people baptized into the fellowship of these churches. Also, there were 442 who joined these same churches by letter or statement during this time. Along with this there were 86 people who made professions of faith out on the streets and in the jails and hospitals in and around the city of New Orleans.

Yes, everything connected with this Gospel is real. When you present the Gospel, it is the power of God unto Salvation. I do not know of any place where this Gospel is demonstrating its reality and its power any more than through this Practical Activity program. Many times people ask, "How can we help with a great missionary and evangelistic program such as that?" Our answer would be, you can help by praying for us as we go out telling the story of Jesus, and then you can always help through your churches as you promote God's plan of financing and give through the cooperative program.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the 42nd annual session of the Perry County Associational Meeting. It was held at Union Church on October 8, 9, 1953. Its next meeting is scheduled to meet with the Bethel Church, six miles northwest of Runkelstown in October, 1954. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

To Relieve
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LIQUID OR TABLETS - SAME FAST RELIEF



These Blue Mountain College students have been selected to appear in *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*. Seated, left to right: Mary Jo Ray, Ackerman; Mary Ann Wacker, Louisville, Ky.; Lila Ann Wallace, Charleston; Charlie Jennings, Greenwood. Standing: Marianne Colvert, Little Rock, Ark.; Patsy Price, Tyler, Texas; Martha Maer, Temuco, Chile.

Youth Week

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ing more than 12,500 pages of materials about Christian Education as part of the Youth Week emphasis, the Southern Baptist Christian Education program will be presented to many of our young people for the first time.

He added, "We appreciate the willingness with which Dr. Lambdin, the Training Union Department, State Training Union leaders, Sunday School Department, Baptist Brotherhood, Woman's Missionary Union, and other Convention-wide agencies are emphasizing the College Orientation workshop and other activities in behalf of Christian Education during Youth Week. We believe that thousands of our Baptist boys and girls will study for the first time the opportunities our Baptist educational institutions offer them and that many will decide to go to a Baptist school as a result of this study." He pointed out that of every seven Southern Baptists now enrolled in college, only one is attending a Baptist institution.

Dr. Lambdin, who suggested that the Training Union Department co-sponsor the college emphasis program as a regular part of Youth Week, has been a leader in Training Union work since 1917 when he became BYPU secretary of Alabama. He became associate secretary and associate editor of the Training Union Department, Baptist Sunday School Board, in 1925 and succeeded Dr. L. P. Leavell as secretary and editor of the Department upon Dr. Leavell's death in 1929. It was in 1934 that Dr. Lambdin suggested the BYPU be named the Baptist Training Union to include groups of all ages for which training unions had been organized.

Under Dr. Lambdin's direction the Training Union ministry has grown from three workers in 1925 to forty in 1953. This group is composed of a complete staff of age group workers in Training Union administration and a complete staff of age group editors for lesson courses. He also led in the development of the Training Union Leadership Assemblies at Ridgecrest and Glorieta. Under his guidance the plan of graded church membership study courses in the Training Union has been developed and consists now of more than 65 books. During the 1952-53 church year, 607,028 Training Union Study Course awards were given.

Materials for use during the College Orientation Workshop, to be held the Thursday night of

Youth Week, are being distributed through the Education Commission to each Southern Baptist church which has a Training Union. Materials will be handled locally by the Training Union Director and Youth Week Leader in each church.

Mr. Kermit King, Training Union Secretary for Mississippi, is working with the Educational Commission staff in arranging for the distribution of materials and in promoting Youth Week activities in the state.

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State Brotherhood Secretary, W. R. Roberts, has written an interesting article entitled "Key to Successful Brotherhood." The article appears in the January-February-March issue of the Brotherhood Journal.

Rankin Memorial

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aterial students.

Of the money, \$2034 came to Mrs. Rankin and her two daughters from the Baptists of Hong Kong as a love gift in appreciation of Dr. Rankin. (It amounted to \$12,000 in Hong Kong money.) These Chinese Baptist friends in Hong Kong wanted to give something because they "loved Dr. Rankin so much."

The remainder of the money came to the Foreign Mission Board from various donors upon the death of Dr. Rankin last June. Mrs. Rankin said "Theron Rankin went to China to be in educational work because he felt that by helping to educate ministers he was multiplying his labors."

Dr. Rankin was professor in Graves Theological Seminary in Canton, China, for 14 years prior to his becoming secretary for the Orient and executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. Mrs. Rankin wanted the money put back into the work he did and loved.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the 119th session of the Lowndes County Associational Meeting, held at First and McBee Churches on October 27-28, 1953. The officers are Rev. Chas. O. Daniels, moderator; Rev. Marvin Palmer, vice-moderator, and Rev. A. C. Furr, clerk and treasurer. The associational ser-

Bootlegging Reaches

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legal liquor.

Some enforcement agents estimate that there now are at least 100,000 illicit stills turning out from 60 to 160 million gallons of bootleg spirits a year. The bootlegging is carried on, of course, in order to evade the high federal and state taxes on distilled spirits.

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GANDHI: HIS LIFE AND MESSAGE FOR THE WORLD, by Louis Fischer was published on January 30, the fifth anniversary of Gandhi's assassination. It tells the whole story of this Indian leader from his boyhood days in India before he went to London to study law, through his experiences in South Africa where he worked to achieve legal equality for Indians and Negroes with white men, to the exciting years in India when he put his extraordinary gifts to use in the cause of India's independence. The author shows the significance of Gandhi's emphasis on kindness, honesty, humility, and the exaltation of the individual human spirit. Order for only \$.25 from the Baptist Book Store or from The New American Library of World Literature, Inc. 501 Madison Avenue, New York 22, New York.

mons were preached by Rev. Chas. O. Daniels and Rev. C. C. Barr. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

NEXT WEEK

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES AND BROTHERHOOD RALLIES SOUTH MISSISSIPPI

MONDAY,
FEB. 8

FIRST,
LAUREL

TUESDAY,
FEB. 9

MAGNOLIA



REV. MERRILL D. MOORE
Director of Promotion,
Executive Committee
Southern Baptist Convention
Nashville, Tennessee

THURSDAY,
FEB. 11

FIRST,
MOSS POINT

FRIDAY,
FEB. 12

FIRST,
POPLARVILLE

Leadership Conferences 9:45 a.m. and 1:15 p.m.

Brotherhood Rally 7:00 p.m.

Lunch provided by host church

All church leaders, officers urged to attend

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CHESTER L. QUARLES, Executive Secretary-Treasurer

News For Growlers

Naturally it was not news to the readers of the Baptist Record to read in the October 1 issue that the over-all expenses of the Foreign Mission Board were only 6 3/10 per cent. That means that of every dollar contributed to Foreign Missions, 93 7/10 cents reached the field.

Of course, all of us have heard those who give very little to foreign missions and have less sympathy for foreign missions growl about the overhead expenses. Some of them, without cause or information, make the ridiculous statement that it takes 90 cents out of a dollar to send money to foreign missions.

To all such sour-souled people, we suggest that they read the article in the October 1 issue of the Baptist Record giving a detailed statement of how the money goes.

It seems to us that spending 6 3/10 cents in order to get 100 cents is good business in any language. It's not how much is the overhead, but how much does the overhead produce.

Although the amount was small, yet we will never forget attending an association a few years ago. Our expenses amounted to \$3.30. We spoke on the advantages of the Cooperative Program. When we left the church a brother approached us and said that he now had a better understanding of the Cooperative Program and wanted to know if I would take an offering to Baptist Headquarters. I told him that I would be glad to do so. He then handed me a \$20 bill. Expenses were \$3.30; offering, \$20.00; net gain, \$16.70.

Any business man will be glad to spend \$3.30 if he can net \$16.70. The same thing is true of our Foreign Board, as well as our other agencies. Their overhead expenses bring in many, many times the amount so used.

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Too Many Conventions Say Texas Pastors

Some of the Texas pastors seem to think that there are too many Conventions.

Dr. D. M. Gardner, editor of the Texas Baptist Standard, quotes the late Will Rogers as saying that the State of Texas was spending itself poor building highways for Texas Baptists to wear out attending conventions. He quotes another person as saying that "regardless of when Jesus comes He will find half of the Southern Baptists on their way to some Convention and the other half returning from another."

Dr. Gardner quotes a resolution

presented by 16 prominent pastors at the recent state convention. Among them are some Mississippians and some former Mississippi pastors. They are: Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy from Amarillo, formerly pastor at Clinton; Dr. W. Landon Miller of Sherman, former pastor at Brookhaven; Dr. H. H. Hargrove, of Brownwood, a native of Mississippi. The resolution follows:

WHEREAS, through the six existing state Baptist conventions, affiliated with this BODY, and designed to meet the educational, missionary, spiritual, and denominational needs of all age groups; and

WHEREAS, it is the expressed conviction of many of our pastors, leaders, and PEOPLE that any added CONVENTION would become a burden; and

WHEREAS, we live in a day where various organizations of non-denominational character are appealing for the time, talent, substance, and service of our BAPTIST PEOPLE.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

First: That the affiliated six-state Baptist conventions, organized and promoted by the Baptist General Convention of Texas, are sufficient to meet all of our Baptist denominational needs; and

Second: Be it further resolved, that if and when there seems to be a need for another State Convention, or State ORGANIZATION of any type or name, that the proposals be studied by the Executive Board of this convention, and recommended by it to the Baptist General Convention of Texas.



What's Going On Here?

Dr. H. H. McGinty, editor of Missouri's Baptist paper, THE WORD AND WAY, as are many others, is greatly concerned about the government's continuing favors to denominational institutions in violation of the principle of the separation of church and state.

Here's what Dr. McGinty writes:

"What's going on? Here is a news report out of Spokane, Washington, revealing that the United States Department of Interior has donated a 640-acre site at Copper Center, Alaska, to the Roman Catholics, upon which they will build a grade school, a high school, and a college.

"Here is another announcement, from St. Louis and under a recent dateline, that the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare has given the \$2,000,000 Marine Hospital at Kirkwood to the Sisters of St. Joseph. Hereafter, the hospital will be known as St. Joseph's.

"Immediately many questions clamor for an answer. Why, were not these properties sold, and not given away, thus conserving some of the taxpayer's investments?

"Is the federal government going to continue the practice of giving away valuable properties to religious and charitable institutions? If so, what policy will govern their distribution? Will all of them be given to the Catholics? What principles will determine the direction which these gifts will take?

"There are several religious groups in this country which are in the school and hospital business. What consideration will be given them?

"This is another of these questions which bear upon the relation between church and state. Everyone realizes the importance of hospitals. But everyone knows, also, that hospitals

operated by religious organizations are agents of those organizations.

"Therefore, when the state or federal government enters that field to make specific donations, it creates questions which should have an answer.

"Efforts are being made to get from responsible authorities an answer to some of these questions. If, or when, they may be given is a matter to be determined."

Our Readers Write

Dear Editor:

I always enjoy the Record very much. And especially the Editor's Notes, Counselor's Corner, Our Readers Write, Bracey Campbell on the Sunday School Lesson. Mrs. T. J. Harper.

WILL SOUTHERN BAPTISTS FOLLOW THROUGH?

"Will Southern Baptists follow through?" has been a question in the minds of many since the Friday night session of the Convention in Houston last May. Some may think immediately that I am trying to revive an old question for debate (the question as to whether or not the committee on "Relations With Other Religious Bodies" should have been continued) but that is not the purpose of this article. The question here is, "Will the agencies of the Convention comply with the request of the Convention by following through?"

I call your attention to the recommendations of the committee adopted by the Houston Convention and try to give some suggestions as to the importance and methods of carrying out the wish of the Convention. Note the recommendations:

Recommendation No. 1:

That the teaching agencies of our Convention continue their effort with renewed vigor to strengthen Baptist conviction with reference to the dangers of interdenominationalism and non-denominationalism.

Recommendation No. 2:

That the Southern Baptist Convention through its teaching agencies continue to cooperate with the churches affiliated with our Convention in magnifying the Scriptural, authoritative position of local, sovereign, New Testament churches, defined in the constitution of the Southern Baptist Convention as "regular Baptist Churches" in administering the church ordinances.

I. The Importance of Following Through On These Recommendations:

1. The Southern Baptist Convention has so instructed its teaching agencies and not one of them can honorably ignore the expressed wish of the Convention to which they belong and to which they are responsible.

2. The Miami Convention instructed the committee to seek information on the question: "How effective is the pres-

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CHURCHES DEMAND MEN WHO ARE PREPARED AND WILLING TO WORK

The ever-enlarging program of the churches has resulted in an increased demand for men who are prepared and willing to work. The aggressiveness with which pastors and others are seeking to enlist additional manpower is measured, in part by the increase in Brotherhood work among the churches. Since June of 1945 566 churches have organized Brotherhoods. This increase gives Mississippi 655 churches with Brotherhood organizations.

The increased need for manpower in the churches continues to offer a real challenge. A challenge which is being met in three definite ways.

1. Men are making professions of faith in Christ and are being baptized into membership of the churches. Other men are joining churches on transfer of membership. These new men, anxious to begin right, are being enlisted in the work of the churches. Brotherhoods are having a part in providing them with a church-centered avenue of service.

2. Boys are maturing into useful members of the churches. Brother-

hoods are having a part in guiding and enlisting them into service.

3. Successful efforts to enlist the hundred of men who, although members of the churches, have not previously been active have added much in the way of manpower. The organized Brotherhood is a primary avenue through which such men have been enlisted.

The State Brotherhood Department, in serving as a medium through which the successful experience of the churches are shared among the churches, is making a contribution toward the fuller enlistment of manpower.

The preparation and distribution of literature, personal contacts with individuals and groups of men the rendering of service to Brotherhood leadership—these and other activities consume the time of the Secretary.

Every pastor and church leader should feel free to call on the State Brotherhood Department for assistance.

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCES AND BROTHERHOOD RALLIES

February 8—Laurel, First; February 9—Magnolia; February 11—Moss Point, First; February 12—Poplarville, First.

CHANGES

AMONG THE CHURCHES BY REV. LEON V. YOUNG CALLED AND ACCEPTED:

A. G. Rednour, First, Ellis Grove, Ill. from Associational Missionary in N. Illinois.

Robert Grammer, Hurricane Memorial, Herrin, Ill. from Missionary, Kaskackia, Ill.

J. A. Myers, First, Hayden, Arizona, from Duncan, Arizona.

Gene Lewis, First, Licking, Mo. Lane A. Patrick, First, McCool, S. C.

Earl Sargent, Tabernacle, Pelzer, S. C. from Southern Bleachery, Taylor S. C.

J. W. Harmon, Associate, Sans Soucia, Greenville, S. C., from

Pelzer, S. C.

Oswell Smith, Sapprow Swamp, Timmersville, S. C. from Clio, S. C. Wilbert V. Smith, Kingshighway, St. Louis, Mo., from First, Dupon, Ill.

B. F. Wills, First, Anna, Mo. from Wickliffe, Ky.

Randall K. Cook, Duncanville, Ala. from First, Trenton, Fla.

Thomas S. Field, First, Langrange, Ga. from First, Quitman, Ga.

Walter E. Sanders, Roswell, St., Marietta, Ga. from Wingate, N. C. Len G. Corder, Hephzibah, Ga., from North Augusta, S. C.

Gordon D. Oliver, Tombstone, Arizona, from Arkadelphia, Ark.

Joe A. Mauldin, Hi-way, Mesa,



DR. MERRILL D. MOORE



REV. B. F. FOX

Final Week Of Leadership Meets To Begin Monday

With the first three weeks of the annual series of Leadership Conferences and Brotherhood Rallies being successfully completed this week, the fourth and final week will get underway Monday with a meeting at First Church, Laurel.

The conferences thus far have been the best in the four years of their operation. Attendance has been better, the spirit has been excellent.

Tuesday the traveling group will swing over to the First Church at Magnolia for the conference.

Arizona from Seagraves, Texas.

B. R. Maddox, Town Creek, Ala., from Oklana Ch., Hatton, Ala.

James W. Hickney, First, Slater Mo.

L. G. Scott, Everett St., Kenneth Mo. from First Arbyra, Mo.

Woodrow Flynn, First, Maiden, N. C. from Woodstock Park, Jacksonville, Fla.

R. L. Trexler, Wel-Mar Park, Concord, N. C. from Merry Hill, N. C.

W. C. Garland, Valley Grove, Tenn., from First, Covington, Texas.

J. R. Kyzar, Mill Creek, Nash-

ville, Tenn from Grandview, Nashville.

Glenn Murphy, Bethel, Roseville California

W. Carraway, Emmanuel, Monroe, La. from Westside, Bastrop, La.

Evie McGee, Smyrna, Lo., from Oakdale, La.

Jimmy Crowe, First, Gilbert, from Macedonia, Effie, La.

Ory Miller, First, Livingston, La from Dry Prong

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WILL SOUTHERN

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ent teaching program of our denomination on the question of the church ordinances in the light of present day conditions?" The committee complied with the expressed wish of the Convention and in its survey found that 5% of the churches affiliating with the Southern Baptist Convention practice what is ordinarily termed "open communion" and that 11 1/2% of the churches accept members to full fellowship who have been immersed by other bodies than Baptist churches. This situation certainly makes it important that we follow through with the instructions of the Convention!

3. The unity and future of our Convention make it important that we follow through with these instructions. Baptists, in the main, will accept the truth when it is taught them. It is my considered judgment that if the teaching agencies of our Convention should ignore these instructions, it would not be long until we will witness the greatest spirit of disunity that has hindered the Baptist cause in many years.

II. How We Should Proceed:

It is my conviction that if we will proceed along the following lines, we will experience the greatest spirit of

oneness we have known for many years.

1. Our Schools

I think all will agree that our Baptist schools hold the key to the situation. I would like for this suggestion to apply to Baptist schools owned and operated by our state conventions as well as those belonging to the Southern Baptist Convention.

I think there should be a regular course in "Distinctive Baptist Doctrines" taught in every Baptist college (junior or senior college), university, and seminary, and this should be a required course for every Baptist ministerial student and for all other Baptist students who are preparing for special religious work in any field of service. In addition

this I think every Baptist school should have a series of lectures on the subject every year and that all students should be urged to attend them. Of course the Southern Baptist Convention can claim control only over the schools owned by the Convention, but every state convention owned and operated Baptist school should cooperate in growing a greater Baptist program.

Some excuses for calling a school "Baptist" are: 1. It is owned by Baptists. 2. It is financially supported by Baptists. 3. It is operated by Baptists.

4. It is to teach, train, and develop Baptist leadership. If it is not going to be a "Baptist" school, it should drop the name "Baptist" and look to some other source for support.

2. Other Teaching Agencies:

These would include our Convention operated assemblies, our Home and Foreign Mission Boards with all their publications and programs, our W. M. U. and Brotherhood departments and our Sunday School Board.

Our Convention has taken its stand on the inspiration of the Scriptures, the Bible method of financing the work of the Kingdom, our relationship to the Council of Churches, and on other matters. We all know the main issue in the past two Conventions, at least, has been the looseness with which some of our churches treat the ordinances of the church. Surely it would not be out of line for the 89% of our churches that are yet true to the teachings of the New Testament on the ordinances to request that we have lessons in our Sunday School and Training Union quarters setting forth the time honored position of Baptists on these matters! Why should we be afraid to go before the people in pulpit, class room in church or in a Baptist school and in

our publications and talk about "alien immersion," "open communion" or "open church membership" when 89% of our churches say these are unscriptural? I believe most of the small minority (11%) will come to agree with that large majority (89%) when they are properly taught.

If the "teaching agencies" of our Southern Baptist Convention will follow through according to the instructions of the Convention, I believe it will not be long until there will be no need of amendments to the constitutions of our state Baptist conventions or to the Southern Baptist Convention denying churches that accept alien immersion or practice open communion representation in our conventions. It should not be a difficult undertaking to teach our people that when a Baptist church accepts something unscriptural, that does not make it scriptural. If our teaching agencies do not faithfully carry out the expressed wish and instructions of the Convention, then God only knows how soon and how serious the hurt may be that may come to the unity and progress of our Southern Baptist work! We shall wait, pray, and hope!

M. E. RAMSEY,

Pastor, First Baptist Church, Edmond, Okla.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

By AUNT POLLY

A Will To Work

Do you have a "will to work?" People who do their work well are better examples of Christ, in my opinion, than those who half-way do things.

I am especially thankful for thorough and industrious workers. I want to be that kind of worker and I ask God in every prayer to help me to do every task better.

I read in the daily paper this week about a paper boy honored because he does his job conscientiously. A person on his route wrote to the editor that the young man could always be depended on to put the paper in a dry place and an easily accessible place. When it rained it was harder on the boy to be out, but he put even more effort into the delivery of the paper; he always put it behind the screen. Recently when it snowed and the large porch was icy at that early hour, the paper boy had gone to the back door and put it carefully inside the back screen. He had gone the last step of the way, as he did for everyone on his route.

Whether it be a job we are employed to do or one mother has compelled us to do, God expects us to do our best. Ecclesiastes 9:10 says, "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might." If I could not do the best of my ability at a task, regardless of how menial, I would feel that I had not filled my Christian obligation.

School work, club work and church work are likewise included in this command. Whatever we have to do, if it is deserving of our time and thought, should be done to the best of our ability.

Younger brothers and sisters will follow us, for we are their examples. Our friends will be inspired by our efforts. Therefore, in the long run, we will cause the world to be a better place in which to live.

I appreciate young people and older people who do their very best in every job, whether it is lowly or great. That's what leads to success, and certainly the Christian life is one of success.

Do your best in every deed! Dear Aunt Polly:

I belong to the Old Silver Creek Church. My pastor is Dr. L. E. Green. Mrs. Ben Rogers, my mother, is our Sunday School teacher. We are learning a lot about the Bible and what Jesus wants us to do. I'm trying to look, listen and learn.

I'm telling people of other races about God and about Him sending his only begotten Son to save us. I became a church member in August, 1951.

KEITH ROGERS.

Dear Keith:

I think there are a host of people who love the Lord as you do and many who are doing personal work in witnessing to people. But not nearly as many as there should be. That is why we can waste no time in sharing the glad tidings. We must take advantage of every opportunity to tell others about the Saviour and his love.

Thank you for writing. I just love to get letters.

AUNT POLLY.

Dear Aunt Polly:

You were saying you wish more boys would write you. I am fourteen years old and was saved July 23, 1953. I am glad that I accepted Jesus as my Savior. He has been so good to me and I love Him better every day.

We have a fine pastor at Duffee; his name is C. E. Bevins. He is a soul-winner, and never too tired to help anyone. Our church is stronger and better because of him.

I have been going to church every Sunday and enjoy it very much. I have not missed a Sunday for a whole year.

BILL ALEXANDER.

Lloyd Sparkman Begins Kosciusko Pastorate



REV. LLOYD A. SPARKMAN

Rev. Lloyd A. Sparkman arrived in Kosciusko on February 2, to assume pastorate of First Baptist Church. His new flock received him and Mrs. Sparkman with open arms and open hearts, having been without a pastor for 7 months.

Goals of 1194 and 425 have been set for Sunday School and Training Union, respectively, on February 7.

The Sparkmans found their pantry well supplied by ladies of the church as a result of a W. M. S. sponsored "pantry shower."

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BAY VIEW MISSION HOLDS FIRST SERVICE

Trinity Church, Biloxi, Rev. J. Hoffman Harris, pastor, has established Bay View Mission on the back bay of Biloxi, an area where Baptist work is much needed. The first services were held there on Sunday, January 17.

Rev. Bert Crabtree, a deacon at Trinity is serving as mission pastor. He is a native of Tampa, Florida and is at present stationed with the U. S. Air Force at Keesler Air Force Base. Last year Trinity Church licensed him to preach.

The mission is meeting in an old store building which has been renovated by the men of Trinity. There are five Sunday School rooms and an auditorium which will seat 100. A piano and other furnishings were donated by members of Trinity.

The mission was opened only two years after the mother church met in the first unit of her building as a mission.

—BR—

A revival will be held at Linn Church February 21-28. Rev. Dan Morton, pastor of Calvary Church, Greenwood, will preach and Rev. Harold Savell, pastor of Linn Church, will lead the singing. Cottage prayer meetings are being planned for the week preceding the meeting.

Dear Bill:

I certainly am glad to have your letter. I am anxious to have letters from both boys and girls. I think there are many in our churches that might make good reporters and who could write some interesting letters that all of us would enjoy reading. I certainly want to hear from them, don't you?

AUNT POLLY.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

MUSIC AND THE EVANGELISTIC CRUSADE OF 1955

The South-wide Church Music Department along with the State Music Department are cooperating 100 per cent with the evangelistic movement to be held in 1955. The state secretaries will serve on the State Planning Committee. Associational Music Directors will serve on the steering committee.

If your association does not have a music director, the Music Department will cooperate with such associations in setting up a Church Music Department, and assist with the enrolling of officers. It is hoped that every association in the state will have an associational music director by the end of 1954.

HAL BENNETT ACCEPTS VARDAMAN PASTORATE

Rev. Hal D. Bennett of New Orleans, Louisiana, will become pastor of the Vardaman Baptist Church, Feb. 14. Mr. Bennett is a native of Alabama, and expects to complete his work on a Doctor of Theology degree at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, May 1.

He is a graduate of Howard College, Birmingham, Alabama, and of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth (th. M., 1942). He has been pastor of churches in both Texas and Alabama.

Mr. Bennett was an army chaplain for five years, 1942-47. He was assistant editor of The Alabama Baptist, 1947-50. He became publicity director and tutor of church publicity at the New Orleans seminary Sept. 1, 1950, and also began his studies toward the doctor's degree.

The Bennetts have three boys: Hal, 11; Tom, 10; and Timothy, 2. They will live in New Orleans until May, and then move to the Vardaman parsonage.

—BR—

Rev. Prentiss H. Young of Roxie who was in Natchez Hospital for four weeks for surgery, has just returned home. His brother, Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, filled appointment for him at Spring Ridge Church, Knoxville, where Rev. P. H. Young has been the pastor for 24 years and at Union near Roxie where Rev. P. H. Young has been pastor for more than 20 years.

MUSIC WEEK AT FURRS

The first music school of 1954, led by the State Director, was held in the Furrs Church, Pontotoc Association, January 10th through the 15th. Rev. Mack Rutledge, pastor of the Furrs Church, led in this promotion. Rev. G. Q. Edens, pastor of the Zion Church cooperated by sending a bus load each night. Several other churches in the area cooperated in the school. Rev. Foy Rogers, Associational Missionary, helped in advertising and promoting the school. The Associational Music Director, Mr. Truett Mounce, cooperated 100 per cent.

During the week 111 people were enrolled in the school, even with the snow and heavy rains.

The first school sets the pace for other such schools during the year of 1954.

Harold O'Chester Goes To Carmel Church

The Rev. Harold O'Chester of Clinton has accepted the call of the Carmel Baptist Church near Monticello and is to begin his work on the new field on the first Sunday in February.

The new pastor is completing his college work for his degree from Mississippi College in Clinton in February. He is married and has two children.

He succeeds the Rev. W. T. Broadus as pastor of the Carmel Church.

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Men Of Distinction

We nominate for this week's man of distinction Clyde Ferrell Paul of Vicksburg.

Thirty-six-year-old Paul was identified by Mike Nicholls of the State Highway Patrol as the driver of an automobile which struck and killed Highway Patrolman Carl McBride Thach.

It is reported that he will be charged with manslaughter and drunken driving. According to the Highway Patrol he admitted that he had drunk one-half pint of whiskey and the Patrol believes that more had been consumed.

As a result of the action of this man of distinction Highway Patrolman Carl McBride Thach is dead. Mrs. Thach is left a widow. She also has the care of a five-weeks old baby; a three-and-a-half-year-old boy; and a ten-year-old girl.

Indeed a man of distinction. Without whiskey drunk by another man the chances are that Patrolman Thach would be living today.

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W.M.U.

HOME MISSION WEEK

Pontotoc BWC gives \$1,000 for the Lottie Moon Offering! They have 21 members! I believe that that is a record for our business women. If not, let us know.

HOUSE PARTY HIGHLIGHTS

Date and Place: February 12-14, at Mississippi Woman's College, Hattiesburg, the Southern Regional Y. W. A. Houseparty will be held.

Purpose: This gathering of young women from south Mississippi is for the purpose of fellowship and growth in Missions. Officers for the Southern Region will be elected on Saturday afternoon.

Persons to Know: A complete list cannot be included, but you'll want to hear the Missions Team from Clarke College; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Davis, Africa; messages on Japan; Mary Nelle Berry, Garaywa's summer missionary; Miss Almarine Brown who recently visited our Mexican mission fields; nationals on Woman's College campus... and many others.

Register Soon: Send the names of girls and \$1 for each (part of total cost of \$5.50) to following address by February 5: Nell Taylor, Box 530, Jackson, Miss.

"Look... love... lift... at Young Woman's Auxiliary houseparty in February!

100 PER CENT READERS

The following Missionary Societies had 100 per cent of their members reading a missionary book last year:

HINDS ASSOCIATION: Bethesda, Midway, (Jackson), Pocahontas; HOLMES ASSOCIATION: Pleasant Ridge, MADISON ASSOCIATION: Madison, New Hope, Ridgeland; RANKIN ASSOCIATION: Antioch, Briar Hill, East Side, Liberty, Puckett; SIMPSON ASSOCIATION: Beulah; WARREN ASSOCIATION: Harmony, Immanuel; YAZOO ASSOCIATION: Eden, Ogden, Rocky Springs; YAZOO City—Grace; BOLIVAR ASSOCIATION: Cleveland Calvary, Morrison Chapel, DEER CREEK ASSOCIATION: Belzoni First, LEFLORE ASSOCIATION: Morgan City; RIVERSIDE ASSOCIATION:

Reynolds Memorial, Riverside, Walnut; SUNFLOWER ASSOCIATION: Inverness; CARROLL ASSOCIATION: Vaiden; DESOTO ASSOCIATION: Ebenezer; MARSHALL ASSOCIATION: Alexandria (Slayden), Byhalia, Red Banks, Spring Hill; PANOLA ASSOCIATION: Courtland, Melvor; TALLAHATCHIE: Cascilla, Cowart; YALOBUSHA ASSOCIATION: Oakland, Water Valley; CHICKASAW ASSOCIATION: Union Chapel; ITTAWAMBA ASSOCIATION: Evergreen; LEE ASSOCIATION: Guntown, Plantersville, Sherman, MONROE ASSOCIATION: Amory, Central Grove; PONTOTOC ASSOCIATION: Randolph, Thaxton; ATTALA ASSOCIATION: Bear Creek; COLUMBUS ASSOCIATION: Artesia; NOXUBEE ASSOCIATION: Brooksville, Concord, Elon; OKTIBBEHA ASSOCIATION: Adaton Center Grove, Sturgis; WINSTON ASSOCIATION: Liberty, Murphy Creek, Yellow Creek; ZION ASSOCIATION: Mantee (Shady Grove); CLARKE ASSOCIATION: Stonewall; JASPER ASSOCIATION: Fellowship, Montrose; KEMPER ASSOCIATION: DeKalb; LAUDERDALE ASSOCIATION: Bethany, Daleville, Hickory Grove, Midway, Mt. Vernon; LEAKE ASSOCIATION: Freely, Walnut Grove, Standing Pine; NESHOBIA ASSOCIATION: Bond, Hope; SCOTT ASSOCIATION: Cash, Hillsboro; COVINGTON ASSOCIATION: Seminary; GEORGE ASSOCIATION: Shady Grove; JACKSON ASSOCIATION: Pascagoula Eastlawn; JONES ASSOCIATION: Harmony, Bethlehem, Laurel Highland; LEBANON ASSOCIATION: Perkinston, WAYNE ASSOCIATION: Clear Creek; LAWRENCE ASSOCIATION: Antioch, Providence, Waniha, Topeka; LINCOLN ASSOCIATION: Calvary, Philadelphia; MARION ASSOCIATION: New Hope; MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION: Gillsburg, Glading, New Zion; PIKE ASSOCIATION: Progress; Silver Springs, Terry's Creek, Union, Hill; UNION ASSOCIATION: Pleasant Hill, Unity, Natchez Fellowship; WALTHAM ASSOCIATION: New Zion, Knoxville.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the thirty-third annual session of the Tallahatchie County Associational meeting. It was held with the Mt. Pisgah Church at Enid on October 16, 1953. The next session is to be held with the Corinth Church on October 15, 1954. The minutes are quite attractively prepared and printed.

Sparks & Splinters

Three cents is a small amount, but multiplied by several hundred it runs into money. It is the opinion of the Baptist Record that the people who write and ask for information that is not connected with Baptist Record affairs, should at least send postage for the reply. Almost every day somebody writes to know where somebody lives or for a copy of a past issue in which to look up an article that they read and now cannot locate. In many cases, and in fact, most cases, they send neither postage nor an addressed envelope. We are glad to be helpful and will continue to answer such requests, but the courteous thing to do is at least, to enclose a stamped, addressed envelope.

The Steering Committee of a simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign which will be conducted in Pontotoc County March 14-28 under the direction of Dr. C. E. Wilbanks is as follows: General Chairman — Bro. George W. Edens, Zion, Association Organizer—Bro. Foy Rogers, Missionary, Chairman of Finance—Bro. Hugh Brown, Horton Memorial, Chairman of Publicity — Bro. A. J. Northcut, West Heights, Chairman of Fellowship — Bro. C. B. Sims, Ecu, Chairman of Extension and Colportage — Bro. Frank Cox, Harmony, Chairman of Census — Bro. Pardee Tutor, Thaxton, Chairman of Special Rallies — Bro. James Monroe, Pontotoc, First, Chairman of Prayer — Bro. Jake Grubbs, Hurricane.

At the annual meeting of the Southwide Hospital Association in Chicago February 10, 11, J. T. Grantham is to appear on the program presenting a paper on the subject, "The Religious Aspects of Hospital Administration." Mr. Grantham is the executive assistant of the Mississippi Baptist Hospital. It is expected that personnel from thirty Baptist hospitals in fourteen states will be on hand for this annual meeting. Grantham will also attend the American Protestant Hospital Association which is to meet on February 12.

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, will be the evangelist in a revival meeting at the First Baptist Church, Gulfport, February 8-14, according to announcement last week by the pastor Dr. Joe T. Odle. Services will be held at 7:30 each evening, and at the regular hours on Sunday.

Anyone may obtain from the Baptist Book Store or from David McKay Company, Inc., New York, New York in one volume the equivalent of a library of concordances, Bible dictionaries, analyses and commentaries in the form of The Bible in Questions and Answers (Vol. 1—The Old Testament) by Rev. William A. Karraker. The price is \$7.50. This is the Old Testament from Genesis to Malachi analyzed in over 4,000 questions and answers, with footnotes. Based on the King James Bible, with annotations from the American and Revised Standard Versions, it has a complete index and cross references.



The Baptist Record has received a copy of resolutions recently adopted by the First Church of Tutwiler in which the Legislature was urged to pass House Bill No. 125 which is designed to prohibit any and all advertising of any intoxicating beverages within the state of Mississippi. The resolutions were signed by the pastor, Rev. Earl C. Edwards and the clerk, E. H. Everett.

The second meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Pastors' Conference will be held at the Forest Church on February 15. The newly-organized conference is composed of pastors and music and educational directors of the counties surrounding Scott county. The officers elected are: Troy Prince, Carthage, president; Nat Mayhaw, Ludlow, vice-president; R. T. B. Leavell, Newton, secretary-treasurer. Those having parts on the program are: Felix Snipes, Rev. W. H. Morritt, Dr. Cecil Jones, Dr. John F. Carter and Rev. J. H. Stanford.

Hickory Ridge Church, Rankin County, has recently begun the building of a Sunday School Annex. Rev. Leon V. Young, Clinton, who preached the special morning service, also turned the first dirt in the ground-breaking services. Rev. James Shannahan, pastor, has recently moved on the field and the church is making good progress under his capable leadership.

GETTING THINGS FROM GOD contains 24 great chapters on prayer. It was written by Dr. Charles Blanchard, who was the second president of Wheaton College in Illinois. Did the Lord Jesus ever find fault with anyone for coming too often to Him for help? Was He ever critical of anyone for asking too largely? What is it to pray? What are the conditions of successful prayer? Why does God answer prayer? How does God answer prayer? These are questions that are faced in the 270 pages of Dr. Blanchard's book. Order for \$2.50 from the Baptist Book Store or from Sword of the Lord Publishers 214 West Wesley Street, Wheaton, Illinois.

The Baptist Record has received a copy of the 1954 Handbook of First Church, Columbia. It contains a message from the pastor; words to new members; church covenant; articles of faith; what Baptists believe; and rules of order. The directory also carries a list of church officers and the deacons, as well as the standing committees, with the functions of each committee clearly stated.

It's Dynamite! is a series of gospel sermons that are helping build a great soul-winning church, Highland Park Baptist Church of Chattanooga, Tenn., where the author, Dr. Lee Roberson, is pastor. The word "power" as used in Romans 1:1 comes from the Greek "dunamis" from which we get our word "dynamite." For the salvation of the lost and for the building up and strengthening of the saved. Dr. Roberson presents these sermons on the dynamite of faith, of convictions, of words, of prayer, of suffering, of a vision, of devotion, of doing right, of the Spirit, of the gospel, and of the second coming. Order from The Baptist Book Store or from Sword of the Lord Publishers, 214 West Wesley Street, Wheaton, Ill., for \$1.50.

The most important choice in life is the choice of Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. The second most important choice is that of choosing a life companion. Marriage is one of life's greatest experiences. In HOW TO MAKE A SUCCESS OF YOUR MARRIAGE, Dr. Eustace Chesser, a noted psychologist and marriage counsellor, offers advice on every aspect of married life from the honeymoon and the adjustments of the early years, through parenthood and old age. This practical handbook may be helpful to many in planning in advance as well as actually building the harmonious partnership that will mean wedded happiness. For only \$0.25 it may be obtained from the Baptist Book Store or from The New American Library of World Literature, Inc., 501 Madison Avenue, New York 22, New York.

Dr. S. Franklin Logsdon has written a book entitled The Lord of the Harvest about the manifestation and ministration of the Holy Spirit. In the book he raises directly or indirectly such questions as the following: What does the Holy Spirit mean to you? What about your relationship to Him? Do you want Him to be your constant companion? Do you take Him with you wherever you go? Do you want to be changed? Do you want to be challenged? Do you want to be charged with a new desire to serve? In the preface Dr. Logsdon says, "There is much power through the Holy Spirit to regenerate, giving a new nature; to sanctify, giving a new character; to energize, giving new fruitfulness; to illuminate, giving new vision." Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan for \$2.

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Mrs. George Nichols is the part-time BSU Sec'y for Co-Lin Jr., Wesson, having begun her work January 1. Mrs. Nichols is the wife of the pastor of the Wesson Church.

We are delighted to have the Nichols in Wesson and already they are meaning much to the college and community there.

MISCELLANEA

Among the campus Lottie Moon offerings for Foreign Missions taken were Holmes Jr. (no amt. given); Sunflower Jr. (\$16); E. Central Jr. (\$7); Woman's College (\$1172.41); Blue Mtn. (\$533.67); Ole Miss (\$82.35); Miss. State (\$35). Clarke's mission offering, at last report, stood at \$246.

Student Night at Christmas programs we've been written about: Miss. State's; Jones Jr.'s; Ole Miss'; Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.); First, Canton; First, Natchez; First, Lucedale; Mt. Zion, Independence; E. Central Jr.; Delta State; Carriere; Bude, Pearl River Jr. Reporting were Roy Isbell, Joan Stockstill, Elton Barlow, Frank Horton, Bryant Reed, Win-

nie Vaughn, Billy Greene, Gladys Bryant, Jimmy Braland, Phil Walker, Otis Jones, Ruth Lazenby, respectively. Of course, there were many others.

Ruth Lazenby, BSU Reporter, Pearl River Jr., has sent news about their recent Sadie Hawkins Banquet, Hospitality Program, Model Student Night, and Progressive Caroling. Especially worthy of note is their Hospitality Program being conducted in co-operation with the local W. M. U. Families in Poplarville have "adopted" more than 100 college students for the year. Students are being invited to eat supper, make candy, watch TV or just relax away from the commotion of the dormitories.

Volunteers for Summer Mission Work should write as follows: Student Summer Missions and Youth-led Revivals — State BSU Dept.; Ridgecrest Staff — Willard K. Weeks, Ridgecrest, N. C.; Glorieta — E. A. Herron, Glorieta, N. M.; Home Mission Bd., 161 Spring St., N. W. Atlanta, Ga. Students pick something special for Christ and do it this summer.

Dedicated Vocations Week is suggested for Feb. 7-14. All, young and old alike, should let God have His way in each life's work.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

January 31, 1954

Meridian, 41st Ave.	364	106
McComb, East	463	197
Hattiesburg, Main St.	971	449
Laurel, Second Ave.	441	105
Laurel, First	643	161
Laurel, Wildwood	153	65
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	436	105
New Prospect (Lincoln)	145	114
Jackson, Van Winkle	265	444
Jackson, Crestwood	625	442
Richland (Rankin)	140	77
Springfield (Scott)	122	91
Jackson, Calvary	1481	468
Main Church	1410	409
Mission	71	59
Flowood	122	114
Jackson, Southside	400	160
Sardis (Copiah)	89	68
Jackson, Parkway	1166	543
Jackson, Highland	151	117
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	166	127
Pearl (Rankin)	140	85
Jackson, aDaniel Memorial	666	311
Jackson, First	1473	489
Jackson, Broadmoor	354	154
Friendship (Lincoln)	139	82
Hattiesburg, Temple	618	187
Petal-Harvey	359	154
Main Church	336	
Harvey	23	
Oral (Lamar)	103	67
Philadelphia, First	398	125
Louisville, Ellison Ridge	88	43
Meridian, South Side	402	169
McComb, Locust Street	109	65
Meridian, Poplar Springs		
Drive	378	160
Mission	27	16
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	152	84
Brookhaven, First	872	371
Main Church	752	267
Southway	78	79
Halbert Heights	42	25
Picayune, First	187	619
Fair River (Lincoln)	104	41
Shiloh (Marion)	63	65
Jackson, North Side	517	121
Biloxi, First	583	188
Long Beach	279	108
Main Church	240	
29th St. Mission	39	
Hardy (Grenada)	112	106
Hazlehurst	301	121
Clinton	662	344
Ruleville	258	80
Pelahatchie	196	90
Main Church	183	
Mission	13	
Newton, First	531	270
Anchor (Lafayette)	66	60
Clarksdale	366	60
Bethel (Pearl River)	218	101
Morton	314	150
Main Church	300	
Mission	14	
Greenwood, Calvary	459	232
Laurel, Harmony	148	80
Bay St. Louis, First	139	66
Gulfport, East Side	190	65
Gulfport, First	874	317
Brooklyn	101	91
Tupelo, Harrisburg	558	255
McComb, Friendship	182	88
McComb, North	74	32
Hickory Flat	173	89
Grenada, Emmanuel	261	130
Main Church	235	122
Futheyville Chapel	26	8
Hebron (Grenada)	71	64
Taylorville	149	98
Canton, Center Terrace	281	98
Bethlehem (Jones)	222	153
Starkville, First	633	240
Purvis, First	261	107
Hernando	186	112
Concord (Choctaw)	92	100
Chesler (Choctaw)	76	35
Columbus, First	1013	352
Columbus, East End	238	95
Grenada, First	673	176
Greenville, Second	490	189

Southern Baptist Pastor Gets Army Award

WASHINGTON (RNS) — The Rev. Herbert L. Redd, pastor of the Southern Baptist Church at Bon Secour, Ala., has been awarded an army decoration for meritorious action while serving as chaplain (1st Lieut.) with the 1st Field Artillery Observation Battalion in Korea from Aug. 1, 1952, to Aug. 1, 1953.

The citation accompanying the award of a Commendation Ribbon with Metal Pendant said the chaplain had frequently exposed himself to danger in order to maintain weekly religious services at all batteries, visit sick and wounded in hospitals and "personally make arrangements for personnel of other faiths to attend services of their choice."

Chaplain Redd, a native of Scott County, Mississippi, attended Clarke Memorial College, Newton, Mississippi, Mississippi College, Clinton, Mississippi, where

Longview (Oktibbeha)	110	71
Yazoo City, First	505	147
Yazoo City, Calvary	218	173
Spanish Fort	68	50
Llva	114	66
Gulfport, New Hope	112	48
New Albany	620	187
Mission	37	
Cleveland, First	624	174
Main Church	522	
Chinese Mission	62	
Shady Oak Mission	40	
New Hope (Marion)	166	150
Springfield (Adams)	60	43
Calvary (Amite)	46	68
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	153	117
Wayside (Yalobusha)	41	
Pascagoula, First	862	291
Main Church	670	219
Jackson Ave. Chapel	73	33
McArthur Chapel	79	25
Orange Grove Chapel	40	14
Calvary (Gulf Coast Association)	90	48
Stonewall	185	118
Brownsville, Beulah	81	71
Moorhead	152	69
West Point, Calvary	207	142
Glenfield (Union)	96	85
Laurel, Hillcrest	81	86
Laurel, Highland	202	89
Laurel, West	429	159
Crystal Springs, First	715	167
Holly Bluff	109	72
Hurricane Creek (Marion)	154	88
Calhoun City, First	358	147
Biloxi, Trinity	175	71
Harmony	125	67
West Point, First	577	168
Charleston	386	138
Skene	128	54
Picayune, Roseland Park	146	74
Wheeler (Alcorn)	122	100
Zion (Pontotoc)	155	85
Aberdeen, First	355	133
Lucedale	365	178
Sand Hill (Jones)	64	51
Corinth, Tate St.	322	108

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Hardy (Grenada)	110	103
Cleveland, First	558	175
Chinese Mission	49	
Olive Branch	111	77
Moorhead	150	95
Picayune, Roseland Park	146	70
New Hope (Sunflower)	46	50
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	159	93
Gulfport, New Hope	122	51
McComb, North	72	32
Taylorville	152	99
Hurricane Creek (Marion)	115	92

Brookhaven, First Begins Building And Remodeling

Members of First Church, Brookhaven have approved plans for a \$215,986 building and remodeling program.

These building plans will increase the present educational facilities of the church by 50 percent.

The remodeled and new building will provide these facilities: seven nurseries, four beginners' departments, with a reception area in both the beginning and nursery area, three primary departments, two junior and intermediate departments and three young people and three young adult departments.

In addition to the educational facilities, the annex will provide new office space and will contain a place for the church library. Offices that will be in the new building will be the general church office, the pastor's office and three other offices.

The annex will be constructed so that the present auditorium of the church can be extended into it. Both the remodeled and the new unit will have a combination heating and cooling system. Construction on the project is slated to get underway shortly with completion set during the fall.

Dr. Brooks H. Wester is pastor.

he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in 1945, and the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, New Orleans, Louisiana, where he was awarded a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1950.

50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

BY REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

50 YEARS AGO—

Mrs. W. R. Woods, Corresponding Secretary of the State Woman's Missionary Union, Meridian, reports total contributions for past year: \$36,853 for Foreign Missions; \$19,296 for Home Missions; \$256 for Sunday School Board; \$7,535 for Christmas Offering to China; and boxes valued at \$34,212 to the frontier missionaries.

The Columbia Church goes to full time under the leadership of Rev. W. A. Hewitt; and entering into their new house of worship.

40 YEARS AGO—

The church at Richton enjoyed a great revival meeting, resulting in 45 additions to the membership. Pastor S. G. Pope was assisted by Evangelist T. T. Martin.

25 YEARS AGO—

Pastor J. A. Taylor retires from the active ministry, having served the First Church of Brookhaven during the last eleven years. Reviewing these eleven fruitful years he recounts 1159 additions to the church membership (359 by profession of faith), 4,666 visits, 247 weddings performed, and 270 funerals conducted.



BOOK STORE MANAGER LOSES HER MOTHER

Mrs. T. A. Cummings, 85, mother of Mrs. O. M. Jones, manager of the Baptist Book Store in Jackson, died shortly after noon Monday while being taken to the Baptist Hospital. She had been in failing health for several months.

Besides her daughter Mrs. Jones the deceased has a second daughter, Mrs. T. C. Stockton of Longview, Texas, formerly of Memphis. Except for two years with Mrs. Stockton in Memphis, Mrs. Cummings had made her home with Mrs. Jones for the past 1 year. She was a native of Tennessee. Besides her daughters, she is survived by a sister, Mrs. Katie Warren, of Rives, Tenn., and two brothers, W. T. Harris, of Houston, Texas, and J. E. Harris, of Los Angeles, Calif.

Her remains were shipped to Memphis, Monday night.

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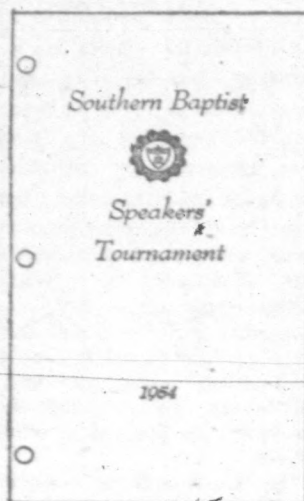
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PROMOTING THE 1954 SPEAKERS' TOURNAMENT

The tract containing information about the Southern Baptist Speakers' Tournament of 1954 may be had upon request from your state Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

Churches are encouraged to use a large number of young people in the tournament. Create the right attitude toward the tournament. Each one entering should not aim primarily at winning first place but at giving his best witness for Christ. Enlist the entire union, not just one person. Have the Speakers' Tournament at a time when the membership of the church may observe it. Secure competent judges.

The Associational Young People's Leader has the responsibility to see that each church is properly informed and should send or take rules and subjects to each church. Announce date of associational tournament well in advance.

The district tournament will be held in May of this year and the state tournament will be held at the Training Union Convention on June 21 at First Baptist Church Jackson, Mississippi.

CALVARY CHURCH OF GREENWOOD GRADES NURSERY DEPARTMENT

Mr. Mark G. Hunter, Training Union Director of Calvary Baptist Church in Greenwood reports an activity in his church that is commendable for all churches. He writes "This month we are dividing our Nursery into four different departments: namely, birth to one, one-year-olds, two-year-olds, and three-year-olds," and as he writes he asks for information concerning Standards of Excellence for these departments.

We offer our congratulations to this Training Union director and church for this farsighted program which involves complete grading of his nursery department. We also appreciate the fact that from the very beginning he is interested in seeing that the

department becomes standard and maintains standard recognition.

SHADY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH ORGANIZES TRAINING UNION

Rev. Gene Walley, Associational Training Union Director of Tiptah county, writes that a new Training Union was recently organized in Shady Grove Baptist Church, Ripley.

The following officers were elected: Director, Mrs. Clyde Graves of Ripley; associate director, Mrs. J. B. Stricklin of Ripley; secretary, Mrs. Vernon Davis; adult group captain No. 1, Mr. Clyde Graves of Ripley; Adult group captain No. 2, Mrs. J. P. Godwin, Blue Mountain; Young People's Counselor, Mrs. Albert Shelton of Ripley; Junior Leader, Mrs. William Dickerson; Primary Leader, Mrs. E. Y. Davis. No Intermediate Union has been organized as yet.

This new Training Union had an attendance of 48 on Sunday night, January 17. Rev. Walley states that he expects to hear some good reports from this group.

Whenever a new Training Union is organized the first quarter's literature may be secured free by writing to Dr. Jerry Lambdin at the Baptist Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

STUDENT SUMMER SERVICE PROGRAM

The Baptist Training Union Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will employ a limited number of college or seminary students this summer for a period of five weeks, July 4 to August 6, to do Training Union field work.

This work will be under the direct supervision of an Associational Missionary or an authorized person in the association. Associational Missionaries or Associational Training Union Directors desiring to secure the service of students for this program should make such requests directly to the state Training Union Department.

The primary purpose of the Student Summer Service Program is to organize new Training Unions, enlist leadership for the church training program and develop the work generally in the churches. Last year our workers served 53 churches, enrolled 2,428 in their classes during the five-week period and maintained an average attendance of 1,734.

Students desiring to participate in this program should make application on forms which will be provided upon request to the State Training Union Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi. Requests should be made as soon as possible.

Near The Baptist Hour

Dr. Ramsey Pollard will be the speaker on the Baptist Hour program on Sunday, February 7. His message will be heard in 28 states and 7 foreign countries.

Mississippi stations carrying the Baptist Hour broadcast include WUMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.; WDOB, Canton, 5 p. m.; WGLC, Centerville, 1:30 p. m.; WCLD, Cleveland, 6 p. m.; WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.; WFOR, Hattiesburg, 10:15 p. m.; WLSM,

Louisville, 8:30 a. m.; WMB, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF, McComb, 9 a. m.; WCOC, Meridian, 4 p. m.; WNAT, Natchez, 7:15 a. m.; WRJW, Picayune, 1 p. m.; and WVIM, Vicksburg 5:30 p. m.

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"Justification Through Faith" is an interesting article in the January-February-March issue of the Brotherhood Journal. The author is one of Mississippi's pastors, Dr. J. T. Odle, pastor, First Church, Gulfport.

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Since Woman's College has gone co-educational, it is obvious that we MUST enlarge our facilities in order to take care of the increasing enrollment. With an anticipated enrollment of from 100 to 150 boys plus the doubling of our present enrollment of girls, we must have facilities to take care of them, namely a boys' dormitory and a physical education building. Of course, there will be other financial obligations which the college will naturally assume with this great increase in students. At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees (January 19) it was voted to give the administration the authority to launch a building program \$500,000. This will be a pay-as-you-go proposition, and, of course, not having the money to finance these badly needed additions, we began immediately to try and find some way that it could be accomplished. After prayerful consideration we arrived upon a plan which we feel everyone will be able to participate in and be a part of this great institution. Therefore, we are asking 10,000 friends of the college to give us \$1.00 per week until victory is ours. These names will go down in the history of the college as MEMBERS OF THE VICTORY CLUB OF MISSISSIPPI WOMAN'S COLLEGE (or, of course, whatever name is selected). If you will join us, please fill out the form and return to us and we will send you a pack of 52 envelopes so there will be nothing complicated about your making the remittance.

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MISS DORIS CUTTER

Our Intermediate Sunday school officers and teachers will have the great privilege of attending conferences directed by Miss Doris Cutter, an associate in the state Sunday School Department of Louisiana, during our three Sunday School Conventions, March 9-11, in Cleveland, Yazoo City and Natchez respectively.

We are glad to have this fine worker come our way, and we urge our Intermediate workers to make their plans to attend the Convention that is the most convenient. This is a very fine way to train the workers. Helpful conferences can be most beneficial. Let us make the very most of these for these three days.

THE TULSA CLINIC

A Southwide Sunday School Teaching Clinic will be held this year in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the week of February 22-26.

This is a very excellent opportunity for many teachers and Sunday school workers to get some splendid training and help on this important business of teaching in the Sunday school.

There is yet room for others from Mississippi. If you want to go, write your state Sunday school secretary right away. We want just as many as possible from our state to get the help coming from this Clinic.

GOSS SCHOOL GOES ON

Since May of 1952, the Goss Sunday school has gone forward by the addition of six new classes. There was no room then for other classes, but larger rooms were divided, and one class was put in the auditorium.

A census revealed many prospects, many of whom were adults. When a class was provided for them, and a good leader secured, the response was very good, and they have gone forward in a great way.

Rev. W. T. Miller is the pastor. It is simply another illustration of the fact that when we provide for the people and go after them that many will respond. This is the way we must work in order to reach "A Million More in '54."

NEW BOOK COMING

A new book, "The Ministry of Visitation," will soon be ready for use by Southern Baptist Sunday schools.

The author of this book is Mr.

John T. Sisemore, Sunday school and Training Union secretary of Oregon-Washington, and formerly an educational director in Texas. Mr. Sisemore is well qualified to write such a book, and we hope that many of our schools will use it this year. There is no substitute for visitation. This book will help us in that.

This may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson.

TWENTY THOUSAND CHURCHES COULD DO THIS

Robert S. Scales, Pastor
Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

In the past two years Trinity Baptist Church, Oklahoma City, has increased the number of departments of the Sunday School from 24 to 39; eight having been added October 1, 1953. The net increase in enrolment has been approximately 300, growing from 1585 to 1898.

Every age group where the organization has been enlarged showed some increase. Adult departments were increased from three to seven and the enrolment has climbed from 634 to 729, although at least one hundred have been taken from the Adult departments as additional workers in the enlarged organization.

A fourth Young People's department was added this year and the enrolment has increased from 157 two years ago to 268 today. Intermediate enrolment has reached 208 with the addition of a fifth department this year. Primary departments were increased from 4 to 6 and the enrolment has climbed from 136 to 172. Nursery enrolment grew from 85 to 125 with the addition of two new departments to make the total six.

Our Cradle Roll departments have been increased from one to four, and an Extension department has been organized. Twenty-five new babies were enrolled in one day through this enlarged Cradle Roll organization.

Not only has the enlarged organization increased the enrolment but the average attendance runs right at 86 per cent of the enrolment.

All of these figures are hardly indicative of what this type of organization will do. We have been for the past 2 years getting it set up, providing building facilities and training the workers. We are just now ready to launch our enlargement program. A census is scheduled for January, 1954, when 300 officers and teachers will go afield to bring about the enlargement.

Our goal for "A Million More in '54" is a net gain of 400. We believe we will reach that goal.

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Rev. Edward Jenkins, the acting pastor of the White Sand Church near Poplarville, will be ordained on Sunday, February 7, at 3 p. m. in his home church, the Palestine Baptist Church of Rio, Louisiana.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Hamilton Street, Brookhaven, Is No. 1079

Although only a year old last December, Hamilton Street Church in Brookhaven, knows a good thing when they see it. The pastor, Rev. H. A. Merritt lost no time in leading the church to make the Baptist Record a part of its program.

The church already has a pastor's home, a church plant and a forward looking program.

Record readers in Lincoln county are now listed as follows: HAMILTON STREET, 89; ARLINGTON, 27; BETHEL, 29; BIG SPRINGS, 22; BOGUE CHITTO, 71; BROOKHAVEN, 662; CALVARY, 46; CLEAR BRANCH, 20;

FAIR RIVER 57; FRIENDSHIP, 59; GUM GROVE, 50; HEUCK'S RETREAT, 32; HOLLY SPRINGS, 26; LITTLE BAHALA, 38; MACEDONIA, 140; MISSION HILL, 31; MONTGOMERY, 62; M O A K ' S CREEK, 82; MT. MORIAH, 61; MT. PEASANT, 53; MT. ZION, 63; NEW PROSPECT, 8; NEW SIGHT, 55; PEARL HAVEN, 126; PHILADELPHIA, 29; PLEASANT GROVE, 56; Pleasant Hill, 3; RUTH, 61; Topisaw, 1; UNION HALL, 28; WELLMAN, 76; SHADY GROVE, 43; Central, Brookhaven, 1.

Sample Plan Works

Again the Free Trial Plan has proved its worth. Recently Knight's Valley Church in Clarke County asked that sample copies be sent for a few weeks to acquaint the people with the value of the Baptist Record. The people liked the sample and sent an EVERY FAMILY list who are to receive the Baptist Record weekly. This means that the Knight's Valley Baptists are going to keep up with what Baptists do at home and abroad.

Rev. W. J. Murray is the pastor. The list was sent by Mrs. W. M. Chancellor.

Record readers in Clarke County are now listed as follows: ANTI-OCH, 32; CENTER RIDGE, 37; Crandall, 1; De Soto, 10; JELIM, 26; ENTERPRISE, 107; HARMONY, 41; Hepzibah, 1; KNIGHTS VALLEY, 21; MONTROSE, 53; OAK GROVE, 21; PACHUTA, 33; PINE HILL, 25; PLEASANT GROVE, WEST, 23; PLEASANT HILL, 20; QUITMAN, 154; Phalti, 18; ROLLING CREEK, 29; SHUBUTA, 68; SQUENOVIE, 29; STONEWALL, 148; UNION, 56.

Mars Hill, Forrest County, Is EF

Realizing the value of having the Baptist Record to go into all the homes in the church, Mars Hill church in Forrest county has adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Record readers in Lebanon Association are now listed as follows: Mars Hill, 13; BROOKLYN, 72; CHARTERVILLE, 62; DIXIE, 61; GLENDALE, 75; GREEN'S CREEK, 51; Hattiesburg, FIRST, 497; BOUIE STREET, 67; CENTRAL, 50; MAIN STREET, 632; TEMPLE, 469; 28TH AVENUE, 63; 38th AVENUE, 224; 19th AVE-

500 Churches Enrolled In Development Program

Nearly five hundred churches have enrolled in the 1953-54 Town and Country Church Development Program which is sponsored jointly by Emory University, The Sears-Roebuck Foundation, and thirteen state committees, it was announced this week by the Director, G. Ross Freman, of Atlanta.

The purpose of this interdenominational and inter-racial program is to spread stimulating ideas for church development across the South, to furnish guidance in surveying and planning progressive programs, to encourage participation in community improvement activities, to promote the world mission of the church, and to recognize outstanding achievement.

To participate, a local church enrolls; examines its present program, selects some projects in each of the three areas, and sends in a report of its progress May 1, 1954.

Complete information is sent to each church that enroll in the "Development Packet." In addition, they receive a monthly Newsletter and other helps throughout the year.

A state committee will examine the "Reports of Progress" on the basis of them will select the ten top churches. The Sears-Roebuck Foundation will write checks totaling \$12,650 for these showing the most outstanding progress during the year.

Enrollments will be accepted through March 1, 1954. Any church interested in participating can write Box 309, Emory University, Georgia.

NUE, 48; IMMANUEL, 128; IRENE CHAPEL, 32; Lakeview, 8; McLAURIN, 42; MACEDONIA, 36; PETAL-HARVEY, 201; PROVIDENCE, 102; RAWLES SPRING, 60; RIVER AVENUE, 38; PETAL, 32; PETAL, TEMPLE, 42; Fruitland Park, 2; ZION HILL, 74; SOUTHSIDE, 75; LUMBERTON, 151.

Mt. Vernon Is No. 1080

It is still true that wherever Rev. W. T. Darling goes, so does the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. The latest church to adopt the EVERY FAMILY list is Mt. Vernon in Lee County. You guessed it. Rev. W. T. Darling is the pastor.

Having tried the promotion plan for a few weeks, the people know what a good thing is and from now on will continue to keep up with Baptist affairs at home and abroad.

Record readers in Lee County are now listed as follows:

AUBURN, 78; BELDEN, 41; Bethany, 1; BIRMINGHAM, 107; Center Hill, 2; EUCLATUBBA, 38; MT. VERNON, 31; NETTLETON, 52; PLANTERSVILLE, 78; Pleasant Hill, 19; Palmetto, 1; PRICEVILLE, 30; SALTILLO, 61; SHANNON, 64; SHERMAN, 80; TUPELO CALVARY, 381; Tupelo East, 1; TUPELO, FIRST, 310; TUPELO, HARRISBURG, 317; TUPELO, PARKWAY, 39; Union Chapel, 1; Union Hill, 4; VERONA, 77; Palestine, 10.



WILLIAM A. CRABILL

Shown above is William A. Crabill, Marks, newly elected member of the Board of Trustees of Blue Mountain College. Mr. Crabill is the only new member elected. His term expires at the close of 1956.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

February 8 — B. S. U. Dedicated Vocations Week; Brotherhood Rallies; Leadership Conference, Laurel, First.

February 9 — Harry Carpenter, Trustee, Blue Mountain College; State Vacation Bible School Clinic, Newton; Leadership Conference; Magnolia, First.

February 10 — Robert Burrus, Baptist Building; Travis Lunceford, Ole Miss. B. S. U. President.

February 11 — Ulysses Tate, Baptist Building; Leadership Conference, Moss Point; Rev. J. E. Rogers, Chickasaw Associational Sunday School Superintendent.

February 12 — Dr. Norman O'Neal, Mississippi College faculty; Leadership Conference, Poplarville; J. K. Short, Clarke Associational Training Union Director.

February 13 — Rev. Frank L. Coker, Jackson Associational Organizer of Evangelism; Rayburn Gray, Benton Associational Brotherhood President.

February 14 — B. S. U. Commitment Day; Mrs. Dave Smith, Panola Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

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Sunday School Lesson

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For February 7.

CHRIST, THE LIVING BREAD
Bible Lesson: John 6.

I. FIGURES OF SPEECH ON THE LIPS OF THE LORD

"Of course you believe in a literal interpretation of the Bible!" Of course I do not. I believe in an intelligible interpretation of the Bible. A strictly literal interpretation of the Bible would make of it a tissue of intelligibilities. Why, my brother, the Bible is the most human book ever written in the world. It is the word of our God to men, and it is for that very reason written in the language of men. Now the language of men is figurative in large measure, as will appear at once to anyone who takes time to think of the matter at all.

For instance, I know a woman who nurtured four children from infancy into adulthood, and called each of them in turn, "Mother's lamb"; but no one of them was a lamb literally, and yet that mother told the truth. The ardent lover may speak the truth in the words he may sing to his sweetheart, "You are my garden of roses Kissed by the morning dew." You know, he knows, and his sweetheart knows that he does not mean that she is a literal garden; but he is telling her the truth that he considers her pure and sweet and beautiful. Our Lord is referred to in the Bible as the Lion of the tribe of Judah; but He is not a literal lion, though the title ascribed to Him is true. He is not a literal lamb, and yet He is the Lamb of God.

When you read the text of this lesson, you will be reminded of the institution of the Lord's Supper. In his account Mark says (Mark 14:22,24), "He took bread, and when He had blessed He brake it, and gave to them saying, 'Take ye: this is my body' and he said unto them, 'This is my blood'." Matthew 26:26, 28, has it, "Take, eat this is my body. . . . Drink ye all of it for this is my blood." Luke 22:19,20, "This is my body which is given for you: this do in remembrance of Me. . . . This cup is the New Covenant in my blood, that which is poured out for you." I Corinthians 11:23-26, "The Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He brake it, and said, 'This is my body, which is for you: this do in remembrance of Me.' In like manner also the cup, after supper, saying, 'This cup is the new covenant in my blood: this do as oft as ye drink it, in remembrance of Me.'"

I am well aware that the largest body of nominal Christians in the world take these words of our Lord literally, though I have had at least one of their communicants contend that his ordained tutor in that faith told him that the Church did not teach that. And I try my best to see how anyone could take literally the words of our Lord, "This is my body," while His body stood before them incased in its own precious skin,

or how one could understand as literal His words, "This is my blood", while His heart was still sending that blood through arteries, capillaries and veins all over His body. His language was figurative and meant that the bread and wine were symbols of His body and His blood.

In the text given us for study, we find our Lord making an attempt to divert the attention of these literal minded Gallileans from the material to the spiritual by the employment of a figure of speech. Your fathers ate manna, but it was not the true manna from heaven, because they who ate of it died.

The true bread of God is that which comes down from heaven. The bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life unto the world. "I am the bread of life: he that cometh to Me shall not hunger, and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." (Jno. 6:33). "eVerily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, ye have not life in yourselves. He that eateth my flesh and drinketh my blood hath eternal life and I will raise him up at the last day. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed."

Now this figure of eating and drinking as indicating an earnest, agonizing attention and desire for truth, for an understanding and attachment to ultimate reality, a complete yielding to the truth after an open-hearted reception of it, is a common one in all literature and life. One of the ancient prophets said he was bidden to eat a little book, this he did, but the point in the act of any importance to him or to us is that he received the truth of the contents of the book. A poet has said of an earnest reader, "He ate and drank the precious words, His spirit grew robust," and goes on to say that what his hero had done was to read a book.

What was the effect of this language on the minds of those literal-minded, materialistic multitudes even after he had told them, "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I have spoken unto you are spirit and are life" (Jno. 6:63) "Upon this many of His disciples went back and walked no more with Him" (Jno. 6:66).

II. THE FATEFUL ALTERNATIVE "Jesus said therefore unto the twelve, 'Would ye also go away?'" This question poses for the followers, the professed followers, though in this case it called their attention to the action of a group of nominal followers, the problem of whether to follow Him at all costs or to desert Him in the stressful hour and go back into the world of the Godless and hopeless. There are, of course, any number of choices they can make, if they choose to go away from Him.

One might make such a choice as going into backsliding, just a giving-up and a letting-go. Men without number have tried that, but no one of them has ever found peace, contentment, happiness in that condition. The nominal follower may go into outright apostasy and thereby take his place over against our God and His Christ, but to adopt such a

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE BAND OFFICERS



Shown above are the Mississippi College Volunteer Mission Band Officers. The V. M. B. sponsors mission trips to the nearby jails and hospitals and other points around Jackson. The officers, from left to right are: Seated—George Dye of Marshville, president; Sara Ann Bullock of Jackson, treasurer; Francis McIlwain, of Jackson, secretary; John Tucker of Vicksburg, follow-up; standing—Lenno Powell of Malcomb, Ala., vice-president; Mary Beth Ainsworth of Clinton, pianist; Bill Courington of Fairfield, Ala., publicity chairman; Pat Kelley of Pensacola Fla., program chairman; and Ted Witchem of Pascagoula, chorister. (Photo by Fred Otte.)

There will be times in the life of every person when he will have to wear the "iron shoes" of suffering and hardship. But God is always present, sufficient for his need. **IRON SHOES** is the title of a recent book of sermons written by Dr. C. Roy Angell, pastor of the Central Baptist Church, Miami Florida. As a master story-teller, Dr. Angell's illustration-filled sermons have been popular for many years among congregations in a number of states. Students at Ridgecrest still respond to his lake-side campfire services which he helped originate more than twenty years ago. You may obtain the twelve messages presented in **IRON SHOES** from the Baptist Book Store or from Broadman Press, 127 Ninth Avenue, North, Nashville 3, Tennessee, for \$1.50.

course is to commit spiritual suicide. Oh! There are a number of foolish things one might do in the land-away from Him, but it would be best in all conditions to join Peter in his answer, when, if ever, we are tempted to go away from Jesus.

"Lord, to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life. And we have believed and know that Thou art the Holy one of God." (Jno. 6:68, 69). The mad, sad, war-weary world about us cries to us in the hopeless plaint of a helpless and dying giant against the ruthless and truceless materialism that has made our God's fair world a vast gas chamber in which one-half of his people are striving to suffocate the other half that they who perpetrate this awful thing may seize the material possessions of their victims.

But should Christ be made the heart's choice of those who hear His voice and all the lands where His name has been proclaimed, He would make good the word of His ancient spokesman in the declaration, "He maketh wars to cease to the ends of the earth." Oh! When will men turn from their own devices unto Him?

"Where cross the crowded ways of life, Where clash the cries of race and clan, May all the tribes, that trust in Thee, Obey Thy voice, O, Son of Man."

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Foreign Mission Board Reports To the People

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CAUTHEN REPORTS ON ORIENT TRIP

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board's executive secretary, reported on his recent trip to the Orient at the January meeting of the Board. Here is a brief summary:

Hawaii: Here there is a rapidly developing Baptist work in a territory which seems destined to become the 49th state in the Union.

Japan: One hundred Southern Baptist missionaries are located in 30 strategic cities extending the full length of the country. Strong churches have come into life and good buildings are being constructed. The Japan Baptist Convention, with headquarters in Tokyo, is working consistently on a program of advance aimed toward 1,000 Baptist churches within 25 years.

At Fukuoka is Seinan Gakuin, with more than 3,000 students from junior high school through senior colleges, where groundbreak ceremonies were held for the university chapel which will bear the name Rankin Memorial Chapel.

The Baptist seminary and training school in Fukuoka have a combined enrollment of 115 students. At Kokura, Seinan Jo Gakuin, approximately 1,300 girls attend schools ranging from junior high through junior college.

Building to accommodate 200 people have been erected on land which was purchased by the Southern Baptist military personnel on the Izu Peninsula.

Korea: Evangelism, relief, medical work, care of the aged and orphans, and training of workers for the ministry is part of the effort being extended in the name of Christ amid the suffering of Korea.

There are now 130 organized Baptist churches in South Korea. There are 23 ordained Korean pastors and 74 lay preachers. During 1953, there were 1,922 baptisms with 12,221 inquirers not yet baptized. Contributions from Korean churches, estimated in American money, totaled \$21,618.80.

Daily more than 800 people come to the clinic in Pusan for attention. Two missionary doctors, three missionary nurses, three Korean doctors, and four Korean nurses make up the staff. Bible school work has already been opened at Taejon with 45 students.

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Abernathy have returned to Seoul, making three locations where Southern Baptists now serve in Korea—Seoul, Taejon, and Pusan. Korean Baptists plead for missionaries in 25 cities of South Korea.

Formosa: A visit to Formosa impresses one with evidences of increased stability. Many new buildings are under construction. Missionaries of Southern Baptists are located in seven cities extending the length of the island.

There are now 11 Baptist

churches and more than 20 chapels, many of which will become churches soon. Approximately 1,000 were baptized in 1953 and many others made profession of faith in the Lord. Nearly 5,000 are in the Sunday schools and many children are enrolled in kindergarten.

The Baptist seminary in Taipei has 50 students. An assembly location has been secured on a mountainside overlooking the capital city. Missionaries on Formosa indicate that a staff of 50 missionaries is needed.

Hong Kong and Macao: Here Baptists have a definite opportunity in the doorway of Red China. Churches in these cities are strong and many have excellent buildings. The Hong Kong Baptist Association is vigorous in its program and is making strong effort to give the gospel to the 2,000,000 people in that city.

In Hong Kong are located Pooi To and Pooi Ching Baptist schools conducted by the Hong Kong Association, with branches in Macao. The Pooi Ching School in Hong Kong has just completed a building at a cost of \$200,000, toward which Southern Baptists have made a contribution of \$25,000. The enrolment is 3,500. Two hundred of these students will soon be baptized in the Stirling Road Baptist Church.

Pooi To School is completing a building costing \$115,000 toward which Southern Baptists have contributed \$35,000. The school has a strong Christian program among its 1,300 girls.

The Hong Kong Baptist Seminary has a student body of 45. The Baptist Press in Hong Kong is producing Chinese literature for all the Chinese work in southeast Asia.

Southern Baptists have 15 missionaries in the Hong Kong-Macao Mission.

Philippines: Work was begun in the Philippines first among the Chinese who number about 255,000; and Chinese churches have been organized in Dayao, Dagupan, Manila, and Baguio. The missionaries then found themselves confronted with an open door to the Filipino population which numbers 20,000,000. Throughout the island of Mindanao, groups are asking that Southern Baptists help them to hear the story of Christ.

The Foreign Mission Board has just received a petition from Mati—a city on the eastern coast of Mindanao where medical work is being projected—signed by 52 of its leading people urging Southern Baptists to send evangelistic missionaries as well as more medical personnel to work among them.

The Baptist seminary in Baguio is preparing national leaders, both among the Chinese and the Filipinos.

Indonesia: Two years ago the Southern Baptists were hoping to

Counselor's Corner

BY DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, Pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind."

He writes this column each week for the Baptist Record.

DOMINEERING FATHER

QUESTION: My father and brother and I are in business together. For the last three years we boys have had increasing difficulty with him. He is domineering, loud and profane. I am a deacon in a Baptist church and my brother is a Christian and a church member.

Here is our problem. Dad cusses, bawls out the employees, criticizes us and mother (who helps in the office) and generally makes everybody miserable. My brother has stomach ulcers and I am having a skin circulation trouble which the doctor tells me is caused by my emotions. We have too much money invested together to pull out of the business. What can I do?

ANSWER: You have a particularly difficult problem. When a boy feels extremely hostile to his father, it is almost impossible to keep from punishing himself in some way. If he does not feel justified in expressing hostility, he is almost sure to "take it out" on

someone else or end up with a depression. Can you realize that your feelings of fear and anger (or resentment) at your father are perfectly natural? Even Christians still have normal emotions. Revise your concept of yourself. As a "sinner saved by grace," which your religion teaches, you will feel some extremely violent emotions. The Christian solution is to admit the emotions but resist the pattern of destruction. I'll bet that you are telling yourself that if you were the kind of Christian that you ought to be, you would not feel so hostile towards your father. Be honest with yourself and handle your father as intelligently as you can.

Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.

Spring Conference Set At Southern

Louisville, Ky. (BP)—C. H. Hopkins, dean, Seton University, De Land, Fla., and N. H. Parker, dean, Divinity School of McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, will be guest lecturers for the spring conference to be held at Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., March 9-12.

The conference, designed to offer a week of study, intellectual stimulation, and spiritual enrichment to pastors and other Christian workers, was held in July and August in the past. The change in dates will make it possible for those attending the conference to participate in regular classroom and academic activities of the Seminary while they are on the campus.

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Rev. Harold Douglass, pastor of Moak's Creek Church announces that open house will be held in their recently completed pastorium on February 7 from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The building committee was W. C. Hutson, Henry McCaffrey, and T. E. Gatlin. The women of the church provided venetian blinds and the men a cooking stove.

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Shown above is James Russell Doolittle, who is a member of Philadelphia Church in Zion Association. He has had a perfect attendance record for more than a year. He also has a perfect record for daily Bible reading for three years. When polio struck him two years ago he took his Bible with him and didn't miss a day.

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IN MY SECOND VALLEY, Dr.

William Gollouze vividly recounts "his soul-struggles and his victory through faith during a relapse of a disease with which he has been afflicted. This was his 'second valley' from which he emerged by God's grace to climb the heights of peace, confidence and trust." Dr. Gollouze has also written the following well-known books: VICTORY OVER SUFFERING, BLESSINGS OF SUFFERING, and PASTORAL PSYCHOLOGY. MY SECOND VALLEY will lift with its message of faith the hearts of thousands of people who are suffering. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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GIVE ATTENTION TO CHRISTIAN READING

By WILLIAM E. PICKTHORN

Frances lies curled up in a big armchair reading. Wholly unconscious of what goes on around her, she can be heard to laugh or sigh with the mood of the story. She even wipes away an occasional tear shed in sympathy with the sufferings of its hero. This is nothing unusual for Frances because, like most girls of her age, she comes home from the library at least once every week with books piled high in her arms.

The same story could be told of Junior, except that stacked by his chair are bundles of magazines, newspapers, funny papers, comic books—an imposing array. And it isn't just the children who read. There are homemaking books for Mother, and business guides for Dad. There are books to tell how to care for the house, what to do when the dog is ill, and how to buy a new hat. There are books about everything under the sun, and of the making of them there is no end.

But why?

Every thought which is accepted leaves its indelible impression on the mind. Once there it proceeds to become a part of the very make-up of the person who received it, shaping his thinking, motivating his behavior and finally altering the very structure of his life. So it pays to ask of yourself, "What do I read?" It might pay to look around your home and ask again, "What kind of company does my family keep through the books which it reads?"

Johnnie has a mania for comic books. And more "Johnnies" than we realize are addicted to this mania. One librarian told me some time ago that good children's books are being neglected, that children's story hours were being instituted in an attempt to revive interest, but that children showed little desire even for stories that were told. It wasn't that children had lost their hunger for stories, she said, but that the hunger was being fed by the comic book trade. This librarian said she had evidence of boys, and girls too, who went without lunch at school so that they could use the money to buy the latest copy of the Adventures of Whoozit. She knew of instances of money that had been stolen that it might be spent at the newsstand. And what of these comic books? Most of them are of the "pulp" class; on the cheapest paper, with drawings entirely devoid of art and in colors that are preposterous. The tales are lurid and without purpose. The heroes are seldom people of character. Moral issues are not carefully drawn. Most of the stories deal with the supernatural, but put it on the plane of the human, accepting the "it," and thus they deny the supernatural claims of God.

It must be said that there are some recent comic magazines (or rather, children's picture magazine which are above this level. Some have been published which present stories that are of value, and ideals that are high. Even pictured stories from the Bible are now presented on a plane that children appreciate. But these are a small

minority compared to the flood which is growing into one of the biggest businesses of America. It would pay for you to ransack your Johnny's closet and, if you have not already done so, examine the type of comics which he devours. And remember, he is shaped by what he reads.

Junior hunts a hero, around whom he can shape his life. Who that hero will be depends largely on what he reads. In the realm of books every possible type of hero can be found. Recently I saw a narrative in which the exploits of Satan were honored, with praise accorded to his satanic name. On the other hand, stories abound across the pages of which move godly men, worthy as patterns for any boy. And remember again, Junior too, is influenced by what he reads.

Frances faces decisions which will shape her life. Soon she must take the steps which will result in a home of her own. What does the future hold for her? How will she meet it? Love, courtship, marriage—she dreams, and her dreams are shaped by the stories which she reads. And read she must, for her hunger for experience drives her to enter into the lives of others. But only too often the stories which are her present only caricatures of life. Isn't it just possible that she could be guided into greater happiness if someone would take the trouble to help her in choosing what she reads?

There are good authors who face life squarely and interpret it at its best. They satisfy the desire to know, and they allow the reader to experience vicariously the conflicts, sorrows and joys through which their characters live. But they find a purpose for life. They portray characters who will properly influence those who read. The books of many of these authors are among the immortal classics. Some of them are writers of today. Some of them write for periodicals which are just as accessible as the pulp which so many now read.

Let us join in a campaign to make Christian the reading in our homes.

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MRS. B. T. SMITH

Mrs. B. T. Smith, of Jackson and Brandon, wife of Rev. B. T. Smith, who passed away in 1948 died recently at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Connie M. Oglesby, Garland, Texas.

The body was brought to Jackson for interment.

She leaves three sons: Rev. J. B. Smith, Magee; Mr. Jasper C. Smith, Dallas, Texas; Mr. Purvey N. Smith, Phoenix, Arizona; and three daughters: Mrs. W. L. Sparkman, Florence; Ms. J. W. Davis, Garland, Texas; Mrs. W. B. Adkinson, Clarksville, Indiana; and Mrs. C. M. Oglesby, Garland, Texas.

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(BP)—B. L. Bridges, executive secretary of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, listed on the critical list at the Arkansas Baptist Hospital a few days ago, is much improved.



Shown above are Patricia Brister, 5, and Nina Joyce Brister, who have not missed Sunday School in over three years. Their mother has also had a perfect record for the same length of time. They are members of Kilmichael Church in Montgomery Association.

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A Better Pagan

By: J. Lyn Elder

Tonono Fujishima, a Japanese student, began attending our church. He was a Buddhist and he never charged, but he taught our congregation how to practice foreign missions.

"Fuji," as the students called him, was a model "church-member." He sat near the front every Sunday morning with deep reverence in his face. Joining a Sunday school class, he soon became the proud owner of a large red-edged Bible. He even insisted on making a pledge to the church and kept it paid up.

On the campus of Tulane University Tonono Fujishima identified himself with the Baptist students. He played ping-pong (winning most of the time), attended their noon day chapel service, and even went to Ridgecrest.

During his year as an exchange student in New Orleans many church members talked with "Fuji" about becoming a Christian. He was deeply attracted to Christ, and grateful for our concern, but he never made a public profession of faith. On his return to Japan he began correspondence with him, hoping still for his conversion. His name was sent to a Baptist missionary with the hope that through him he could be won. There is a conviction in the hearts of all who knew him that one day Tonono will make public his discipleship to Christ.

Whether that decision is ever made public or not this young Japanese did something gracious for our church that will not be soon forgotten. Just before leaving, he said "I have not become a Christian, that is true, but you have made me a better pagan." To that extent, the church's program of foreign missions had succeeded.

Perhaps that is what Christ did for all mankind, this church included. He took them as they were and changed them for the better. Perhaps one day the members of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist church will meet young "Fuji" in heaven and all can say together, "By grace are we saved though faith."

Editor's Note: J. Lyn Elder is pastor of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church, New Orleans, La.

Charles Shacklette To Enter Seminary

After two and one half years of service with the First Church in Yazoo City, Charles Shacklette has resigned as Director of Music and Education in order to enter the School of Religious Education of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville.

He came to the Yazoo City church on June 1, 1951, following his graduation at Georgetown College in Kentucky. Mrs. Shacklette, a native of Somerset, Kentucky, was employed at the Mississippi Chemical Corporation in Yazoo City.

Dr. W. C. Fields, pastor of the church, states that the entire program was blessed by the ministry of Mr. Shacklette. He had a substantial part in the fast development of the Sunday School, Training Union, and WMU, and was largely responsible for the phenomenal growth of Vacation Bible School attendance. Vacation Bible School enrolment last year was the highest on record, a total of 612.

"Mr. Shacklette is a talented young man with a great future before him," says Dr. Fields. "The decision to complete his education work is certainly a wise one to fit him for a large field of service in the future."

MRS. MAUDE CYPERT PARKS WHEREAS God in His Infinite Wisdom has seen fit to call from our midst His beloved Servant, Mrs. Maude Cypert Parks on Jan. 21, 1954.

THEREFORE, we, the Woman's Missionary Union of Sherman Church do hereby resolve,

FIRST, That in the passing of Mrs. Parks our Union has suffered a great and distinct loss. One whose place can never be filled, a good friend, a loyal member and a devout Christian who had served her Church as Sunday School Teacher and as an active member of the W.M.S. for more than half a century.

We feel that when God called her home he must have said, "Well done, thou good and faithful Servant."

SECOND, That while our loss is beyond measure and our hearts heavy with sorrow, we bow to the Will of Our Heavenly Father, who doeth all things well.

THEREFORE, be it further resolved that we extend to her family our sincere sympathy and assurance that we will ever hold in loving remembrance, the memory of her life here with us.

Respectfully submitted, Mrs. Nannie C. Beasley, Mrs. Jennie B. Livingston, Mrs. Ola Mae Gault, Woman's Missionary Union Resolutions Committee of Sherman Church.

Zondervan Publishers Announce Third Christian Book Contest

The Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan, has announced its 3rd International Christian Textbook Contest which will close September 30, 1955. The contest rules are as follows:

1. A total of \$2,000.00 is being offered in awards: \$1,500.00 first prize, \$350.00 second prize, \$150.00 third prize. Half of each of these prizes will be an outright award and the other half an advance on royalty.

2. Texts in any field of Christian education on the Christian College and Bible Institute level may be submitted. There will be only one winner in any one field.

3. Manuscripts must be postmarked no later than midnight, September 30, 1955.

4. Only manuscripts with a minimum of 75,000 and with a maximum of 200,000 words will be considered.

5. The judges' decision will be final.

6. Anyone not an employee of the Zondervan Publishing House is eligible.

7. The author guarantees to publisher, in submitting manuscript, that it is original and hitherto unpublished.

8. The publishers reserve the right to publish any of the material submitted on a royalty basis.

9. In the event that no manuscript submitted is of the quality meriting such an award, the publisher reserves the right to disqualify the manuscripts.

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